

On Classification of Normal Operators in Real Spaces with Indefinite Scalar Product

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Abstract

A real finite dimensional space with indefinite scalar product having v_- negative squares and v_+ positive ones is considered. The paper presents a classification of operators that are normal with respect to this product for the cases $\min\{v_-, v_+\} = 1, 2$. The approach to be used here was developed in the papers [1] and [2], where the similar classification was obtained for complex spaces with $v = \min\{v_-, v_+\} = 1, 2$, respectively.

1 Introduction

Consider a real linear space R^n with an indefinite scalar product $[\cdot, \cdot]$. By definition, the latter is a non-degenerate sesquilinear Hermitian form. If the ordinary scalar product (\cdot, \cdot) is fixed, then there exists a nondegenerate Hermitian operator H such that $[x, y] = (Hx, y) \forall x, y \in R^n$. If A is a linear operator ($A : R^n \rightarrow R^n$), then the H -adjoint of A (denoted by $A^{[*]}$) is defined by the identity $[A^{[*]}x, y] \equiv [x, Ay]$. An operator N is called H -normal if $NN^{[*]} = N^{[*]}N$, an operator U is called H -unitary if $UU^{[*]} = I$, where I is the identity transformation.

Let V be a nontrivial subspace of R^n . The subspace V is called *neutral* if $[x, y] = 0 \forall x, y \in V$. If from the conditions $x \in V$ and $\forall y \in V [x, y] = 0$ it follows that $x = 0$, then V is called *nondegenerate*. The subspace $V^{[\perp]}$ is defined as the set of all vectors $x \in R^n$: $[x, y] = 0 \forall y \in V$. If V is nondegenerate, then $V^{[\perp]}$ is also nondegenerate and $V \dot{+} V^{[\perp]} = R^n$.

A linear operator A acting in R^n is called *decomposable* if there exists a nondegenerate subspace $V \subset R^n$ such that both V and $V^{[\perp]}$ are invariant for A or (it is the same) if V is invariant both for A and $A^{[*]}$. Then A is the *orthogonal sum* of $A_1 = A|_V$ and $A_2 = A|_{V^{[\perp]}}$. If an operator A is not decomposable, it is called *indecomposable*.

Throughout what follows by a rank of a space we mean $v = \min\{v_-, v_+\}$, where v_- (v_+) is the number of negative (positive) squares of the quadratic form $[x, x]$, i.e., the number of negative (positive) eigenvalues of the operator H . Note that without loss of generality it can be assumed that $v_- \leq v_+$ (otherwise H can be replaced by $-H$; the latter (nondegenerate Hermitian operator) has opposite eigenvalues). Later on we assume that $v_- \leq v_+$.

The problem is to obtain a complete classification for H -normal operators acting in R^n , i.e., to find a set of canonical forms such that any H -normal operator could be reduced to one and only one of these forms. Since it is sufficient to solve the problem only for indecomposable operators, for any nondegenerate Hermitian matrix H and for any indecomposable H -normal matrix N we would like to point out one and only one of the canonical pairs of matrices $\{\tilde{N}, \tilde{H}\}$ so that the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to $\{\tilde{N}, \tilde{H}\}$ (two pairs of matrices $\{N_1, H_1\}$ and $\{N_2, H_2\}$, where H_1 and H_2 are nondegenerate Hermitian matrices, are called *unitarily similar* if $N_2 = T^{-1}N_1T$, $H_2 = T^*H_1T$ for some invertible matrix T ; if $H_1 = H_2$, then they are H_1 -unitarily similar). In what follows such a classification is presented for operators acting in spaces of rank 1 and 2. As in [2], we will denote by I_r the identity matrix of order $r \times r$, by D_r the $r \times r$ matrix with

1's on the secondary diagonal and zeros elsewhere, and by $A \oplus B \oplus \dots \oplus C$ a block diagonal matrix with blocks A, B, \dots, C .

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2 On Decomposition of H -normal Operators in Real Spaces

Let an H -normal operator N act in R^n and have p distinct real eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p$ and q distinct pairs of complex conjugate eigenvalues $\alpha_{p+1} \pm i\beta_{p+1}, \alpha_{p+2} \pm i\beta_{p+2}, \dots, \alpha_{p+q} \pm i\beta_{p+q}$. Let us define

$$\varphi_k(\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\lambda - \lambda_k)^n, & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq p \\ (\lambda^2 - 2\alpha_k\lambda + \alpha_k^2 + \beta_k^2)^n, & \text{if } p < k \leq p+q, \end{cases}$$

$$Q_{ij} = \{x : \varphi_i(N)x = \varphi_j(N^{[*]})x = 0\}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, p+q,$$

$$\Omega = \{(i, j) : Q_{ij} \neq \{0\}\}.$$

Proposition 1 *The subspaces Q_{ij} have the following properties: (1) $Q_{ij} \cap Q_{kl} = \{0\} \quad \forall (i, j) \neq (k, l)$.*

(2) $\sum_{(i,j) \in \Omega} Q_{ij} = R^n$.

(3) Each subspace Q_{ij} is invariant for both N and $N^{[]}$. (4) Eigenvalues of the operator $N|_{Q_{ij}}$ are roots of $\varphi_i(\lambda)$, those of the operator $N^{[*]}|_{Q_{ij}}$ are roots of $\varphi_j(\lambda)$. (5) $[Q_{ij}, Q_{kl}] = 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \neq (l, k)$.*

Proof:

(1) Suppose $(i, j) \neq (k, l)$. Without loss of generality it can be assumed that $i \neq k$. Let $\exists x : x \in Q_{ij}, x \in Q_{kl}$, i.e., $\varphi_i(N)x = \varphi_k(N)x = 0$. Since the polynomials $\varphi_i(\lambda)$ and $\varphi_k(\lambda)$ are relatively prime, there exist polynomials $\psi_i(\lambda), \psi_k(\lambda)$ such that the matrix identity $I \equiv \psi_i(A)\varphi_i(A) + \psi_k(A)\varphi_k(A)$ is valid. Consequently, $x = \psi_i(N)\varphi_i(N)x + \psi_k(N)\varphi_k(N)x = 0$.

(2) The greatest common divisor of the polynomials $\xi_1(\lambda) = \prod_{i \neq 1} \varphi_i(\lambda), \xi_2(\lambda) = \prod_{i \neq 2} \varphi_i(\lambda), \dots, \xi_{p+q}(\lambda) = \prod_{i \neq p+q} \varphi_i(\lambda)$ is equal to 1, therefore, there exist polynomials $\psi_1(\lambda), \psi_2(\lambda), \dots, \psi_{p+q}(\lambda)$ such that $I = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} \psi_i(A)\xi_i(A) \quad \forall A$. Hence, $\forall x \quad x = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} \psi_i(N)\xi_i(N)x = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} x_i$ (where $x_i = \psi_i(N)\xi_i(N)x$). Since the product of all $\varphi_i(\lambda)$ annihilates N , we have $\varphi_i(N)x_i = 0 \quad \forall i$, i.e., $R^n = \sum_{i=1}^{p+q} Q_{ii}$, where $Q_{ii} = \{x : \varphi_i(x) = 0\}$. Similarly, each subspace Q_{ij} is a direct sum of the subspaces $Q_{ij} = \{x \in Q_{ii} : \varphi_j(N^{[*]})x = 0\}$. Disregarding the trivial subspaces Q_{ij} , we obtain the desired equality $R^n = \sum_{(i,j) \in \Omega} Q_{ij}$.

(3) Since N and $N^{[*]}$ commute, for all (i, j) and $x \in Q_{ij}$ we have $0 = N\varphi_i(N)x = \varphi_i(N)Nx, 0 = N\varphi_j(N^{[*]})x = \varphi_j(N^{[*]})Nx$, i.e., $Nx \in Q_{ij}$. It can be checked in the same way that $N^{[*]}x \in Q_{ij}$.

(4) Let $N|_{Q_{ij}}$ have an eigenvalue λ_0 such that $\varphi_i(\lambda_0) \neq 0$. Then there exists a (real or complex) eigenvector $x \neq 0$ corresponding to the eigenvalue λ_0 . Since the polynomials $\lambda - \lambda_0$ and $\varphi_i(\lambda)$ are relatively prime, there exist polynomials $\psi_1(\lambda), \psi_2(\lambda)$ such that the identity $I = \psi_1(A)(A - \lambda_0 I) + \psi_2(A)\varphi_i(A)$ holds for all (complex) matrices A . Consequently, $x = \psi_1(N)(N - \lambda_0 I)x + \psi_2(N)\varphi_i(N)x = 0$ because $(N - \lambda_0 I)x = \varphi_i(N)x = 0$. The contradiction obtained shows that all eigenvalues of $N|_{Q_{ij}}$ are roots of $\varphi_i(\lambda)$. The operator $N^{[*]}|_{Q_{ij}}$ can be considered in the same way.

(5) Let $i \neq l$. Take arbitrary vectors $x \in Q_{ij}, y \in Q_{kl}$. Since the eigenvalues of $N|_{Q_{ij}}$ are not roots of $\varphi_l(\lambda)$, the operator $\varphi_l(N)|_{Q_{ij}}$ is nondegenerate. Therefore, $\exists z \in Q_{ij} : \varphi_l(N)z = x$. We have $[x, y] = [\varphi_l(N)z, y] = [z, \varphi_l(N^{[*]})y] = [z, 0] = 0$.

The proof of the proposition is completed.

Now let $V_i = Q_{ii} \quad ((i, i) \in \Omega), V_{jk} = \text{span}\{Q_{jk}, Q_{kj}\} \quad ((j, k) \in \Omega, j < k)$. The subspaces V_i, V_{jk} are mutually orthogonal, the intersection of any two of them is zero, and their sum is R^n . It follows from the nondegeneracy of H that each subspace V_i, V_{jk} is nondegenerate. The restriction $N|_{V_i}$ has the only real eigenvalue λ_i if $i \leq p$ or the pair of complex conjugate eigenvalues $\alpha_i \pm i\beta_i$ if $i > p$. The restriction $N|_{V_{jk}}$ has two distinct real eigenvalues λ_j, λ_k if $j, k \leq p$, one real eigenvalue λ_j and the pair of complex conjugate eigenvalues $\alpha_k \pm i\beta_k$ if $j \leq p, k > p$, or two distinct pairs $\alpha_j \pm i\beta_j, \alpha_k \pm i\beta_k$ if $j, k > p$.

Thus, we have proved the following lemma:

Lemma 1 *Any H -normal operator N acting in R^n is an orthogonal sum of H -normal operators each of which has one of the following sets of eigenvalues:*

- (a) *one real eigenvalue;*
- (b) *two distinct real eigenvalues;*
- (c) *two complex conjugate eigenvalues;*
- (d) *one real and two complex conjugate eigenvalues;*
- (e) *two distinct pairs of complex conjugate eigenvalues.*

This lemma shows the principal difference between real and complex spaces because indecomposable operators acting in complex spaces have either one or two distinct eigenvalues (Lemma 1 from [1]).

3 Classification of H -normal Operators Acting in Spaces of Rank 1

This section is closely related to [1].

Let us classify indecomposable H -normal operators acting in a space R^n of rank 1. According to Lemma 1, we can consider only operators having one of the sets of eigenvalues (a) - (e). However, for a space of rank 1 not all variants are possible, namely, the alternatives (d) and (e) cannot be realized. Indeed, if $N|_{Q_{12}}$ (or $N^{[*]}|_{Q_{12}}$) has two eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$, the subspace Q_{12} is necessarily of dimension 2 or higher. However, since Q_{12} is neutral, $\dim Q_{12} \leq 1$. Thus, the alternatives (d) and (e) are impossible. Let us consider the remaining variants and prove the following theorem:

Theorem 1 *If an indecomposable H -normal operator N ($N : R^n \rightarrow R^n$) acts in a space with indefinite scalar product having $v_- = 1$ negative squares and $v_+ \geq 1$ positive ones, then $2 \leq n \leq 4$ and the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of canonical pairs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6):*

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_1 < \lambda_2, \quad H = D_2, \quad (1)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta > 0, \quad H = D_2, \quad (2)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & z \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad H = D_2, \quad (3)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = D_3, \quad (4)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & r \\ 0 & \lambda & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = D_3, \quad (5)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & \sin \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & I_2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6)$$

The proof of the theorem is presented in the following subsections.

3.1 One Real Eigenvalue of N

Let us take advantage of Proposition 1 from [2], which is proved for complex spaces but is valid for real ones as well: *If an indecomposable H -normal operator $N : R^n \rightarrow R^n$ ($n > 1$) has the only eigenvalue λ , then there exists a decomposition of R^n into a direct sum of subspaces*

$$S_0 = \{x : (N - \lambda I)x = (N^{[*]} - \lambda I)x = 0\}, \quad (7)$$

S, S_1 such that

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N' = \lambda I & * & * \\ 0 & N_1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & N'' = \lambda I \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I \\ 0 & H_1 & 0 \\ I & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

where $N' : S_0 \rightarrow S_0$, $N_1 : S \rightarrow S$, $N'' : S_1 \rightarrow S_1$, the internal operator N_1 is H_1 -normal, and the pair $\{N_1, H_1\}$ is determined up to unitary similarity. To go over from one decomposition $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$ to another by a transformation T it is necessary that the matrix T be block triangular with respect to both decompositions.

Since S_0 is neutral, $\dim S_0 = 1$. According to Proposition 2 from [2], if the subspace S_0 is one-dimensional, then the operator N is indecomposable. So, it is not necessary to check the indecomposability for each canonical form to be obtained in this subsection. As H has one negative eigenvalue, H_1 has only positive eigenvalues and one can assume that $H_1 = I$, $N_1 = \lambda I$. Later on we will no longer stipulate that $H_1 = I$, $N_1 = \lambda I$. By Theorem 1 of [2] (it is also valid for real spaces), $n \leq 4$. Consider the cases $n = 2, 3, 4$ successively.

3.1.1 $n = 2$

The matrices N and H have form (8):

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & a \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $S_0 \cap S_1 = \{0\}$, $a \neq 0$. Let $\tilde{v}_1 = \sqrt{|a|}v_1$, $\tilde{v}_2 = 1/\sqrt{|a|}v_2$. Then we do not change the matrix H and reduce N to form (3). Since (3) is a special case of canonical form (16) from Theorem 1 ([1]), the number z is an H -unitary invariant, i.e., two forms (3) with different values of z are not H -unitarily similar.

3.1.2 $n = 3$

The matrices N and H have form (8):

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & a & b \\ 0 & \lambda & c \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The condition of the H -normality of N is

$$a^2 = c^2.$$

If $a = 0$, then $c = 0$ and $v_2 \in S_0$, which is impossible because of the condition $S_0 \cap S = \{0\}$. Therefore, $a \neq 0$. Let $\tilde{v}_1 = av_1$, $\tilde{v}_3 = 1/a v_3$. then we reduce N to the form

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & b' \\ 0 & \lambda & x \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = \pm 1$$

without changing the matrix H . If $x = 1$, take the H -unitary transformation T (throughout what follows only H -unitary transformations are used unless otherwise stipulated):

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2}b' & -\frac{1}{8}b'^2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2}b' \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It reduces N to form (4). If $x = -1$, the number b' turns out to be H -unitary invariant. Indeed, let

$$N - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & r \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{N} - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \tilde{r} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and some matrix $T = \{t_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^3$ satisfy The conditions

$$NT = T\tilde{N}, \tag{9}$$

$$tT^{[*]} = I. \tag{10}$$

Then, according to Proposition 1 from [2], T is block triangular with respect to the decomposition $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$, i.e., upper triangular. Condition (9) implies

$$\begin{aligned} t_{11} &= t_{22} = t_{33}, \\ t_{23} + rt_{33} &= \tilde{r}t_{11} - t_{12}. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Since the diagonal terms of T are equal to each other, From (10) it follows that $t_{12} + t_{23} = 0$. Then from (11) we get $r = \tilde{r}$, Q.E.D. The forms obtained are not H -unitarily similar. Indeed, let an H -unitary matrix $T = \{t_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^3$ reduce the first form to the second. Since T is upper triangular (Proposition 1 from [2]), from (9) it follows that $t_{11} = t_{22} = -t_{33}$, which is impossible because condition (10) implies $t_{11}t_{33} = 1$. Thus, we have obtained two canonical forms: (4) and (5).

3.1.3 $n = 4$

The matrices N and H have form (8):

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & a & b & c \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & e \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The condition of the H -normality of N is

$$a^2 + b^2 = d^2 + e^2. \tag{12}$$

Since $a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$ (otherwise $v_2, v_3 \in S_0$, which is impossible), without loss of generality it can be assumed that $a \neq 0$. Taking $\tilde{v}_1 = av_1$, $\tilde{v}_4 = v_4/a$, we reduce N to the form

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & b' & c' \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & d' \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & e' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

Further, let us apply the transformation

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1+b'^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{1+b'^2} & -b'/\sqrt{1+b'^2} & 0 \\ 0 & b'/\sqrt{1+b'^2} & 1/\sqrt{1+b'^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{1+b'^2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we get

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & c'' \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & d'' \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & e'' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that $e'' \neq 0$ because otherwise $v_3 \in S_0$, which is impossible because $S_0 \cap S = \{0\}$. The number e'' can be replaced by $-e''$ by means of the (H -unitary) transformation $\tilde{v}_3 = -v_3$. So, we can assume $e'' > 0$. Moreover, it can be assumed that $c'' = 0$. To this end it is sufficient to take the transformation

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & c''/e'' & -\frac{1}{2}c''^2/e''^2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -c''/e'' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then c'' will vanish, d'' and e'' will not change. Condition (12) of the H -normality of N implies $d'' = \cos \alpha$, $e'' = \sin \alpha$ ($\alpha \in (0; \pi)$). Show the H -unitary invariance of the parameter α . Let an H -unitary matrix $T = \{t_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^4$ reduce N to the form

$$\tilde{N} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \tilde{\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & \sin \tilde{\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\alpha} \in (0; \pi).$$

Then, according to Proposition 1 from [2], T is block triangular with respect to the decomposition $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$ and from (9) it follows that $t_{23} = 0$. Now condition (10) yields $t_{32} = 0$. Applying (9) again, we have

$$\begin{aligned} t_{11} &= t_{22}, \\ t_{44} \cos \alpha &= t_{22} \cos \tilde{\alpha}, \\ t_{44} \sin \alpha &= t_{33} \sin \tilde{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Condition (10) yields $t_{11}t_{44} = t_{22}^2 = t_{33}^2 = 1$ so that $t_{11} = t_{22} = t_{44} = \pm 1$. Hence, $\cos \alpha = \cos \tilde{\alpha}$. Since $\sin \alpha, \sin \tilde{\alpha} > 0$, we have $t_{33} = t_{44}$ and $\sin \alpha = \sin \tilde{\alpha}$. Consequently, $\tilde{\alpha} = \alpha$, Q.E.D. Thus, we have obtained canonical form (6).

3.2 Two Distinct Real Eigenvalues of N

According to Proposition 1, in this case

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ a & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a \neq 0.$$

It can be assumed that $a = 1$ (to this end it is sufficient to take $\tilde{v}_1 = v_1/a$, $\tilde{v}_2 = v_2$). Since the order of eigenvalues is not fixed, we can assume that $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2$. Thus, we have obtained canonical pair (1).

3.3 Two Complex Conjugate Eigenvalues of N

Let N have two distinct eigenvalues $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$, $\bar{\lambda} = \alpha - i\beta$. Since N and $N^{[*]}$ commute, there exists a vector $z = x + iy$ ($x, y \in R^n$) such that either $Nz = \lambda z$, $N^{[*]}z = \bar{\lambda}z$ or $Nz = \lambda z$, $N^{[*]}z = \lambda z$. In the first case $[z, \bar{z}] = 0$. Indeed, $\bar{\lambda}[z, \bar{z}] = [\lambda z, \bar{z}] = [Nz, \bar{z}] = [z, N^{[*]}\bar{z}] = [z, \lambda \bar{z}] = \lambda[z, \bar{z}]$. Therefore, $(\lambda - \bar{\lambda})[z, \bar{z}] = 0$, hence $[z, \bar{z}] = 0$. Let us write in detail the condition obtained: $[x + iy, x - iy] = [x, x] - i[y, x] - i[x, y] - [y, y] = 0$, i.e., $[x, y] = 0$, $[x, x] = [y, y]$. Since two-dimensional subspace $V = \text{span}\{x, y\}$ cannot be neutral, we have $[x, x] \neq 0$. Thus, V is a nondegenerate subspace which is invariant for N and $N^{[*]}$. For N to be

indecomposable it is necessary to have $R^n = V$. But $[x, x] = [y, y]$, i.e., H is either positive or negative definite, which contradicts the condition $\min\{v_-, v_+\} = 1$. Thus, only the case $Nz = \lambda z$, $N^{[*]}z = \lambda z$ is possible. It can be shown as before that $[z, z] = 0$, i.e., $[x, x] = -[y, y]$ so that the subspace $V = \text{span}\{x, y\}$ is either nondegenerate or neutral. As above, we see that V is necessarily nondegenerate and $V = R^n$.

Thus, for the basis $\{x, y\}$ we have

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{pmatrix} \quad (a^2 + b^2 \neq 0).$$

Let us reduce H to the form D_2 without changing the matrix N . To this end it is sufficient to take

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} \\ -t_{12} & t_{11} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} -2t_{11}t_{12} &= a, \\ t_{11}^2 - t_{12}^2 &= b \end{aligned}$$

(it can be checked that this system always has a real solution $\{t_{11}, t_{12}\}$). Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & -a \end{pmatrix} = T^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} T, \quad TN = NT.$$

One can replace β by $-\beta$ by means of the H -unitary transformation $T = D_2$, therefore, one can assume that $\beta > 0$. Thus, we have obtained canonical pair (2). The proof of Theorem 1 is completed.

4 Classification of H -normal Operators Acting in Spaces of Rank 2

The objective of this section is to prove the following theorem (the subspace S_0 and the internal operator N_1 are defined in Section 3.1 by formulas (7), (8), respectively):

Theorem 2 *If an indecomposable H -normal operator N ($N : R^n \rightarrow R^n$) acts in a space with indefinite scalar product having $v_- = 2$ negative squares and $v_+ \geq 2$ positive ones, then $4 \leq n \leq 8$ and the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(13), (14)\} - \{(54), (55)\}$. The list of all the canonical pairs is as follows.*

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 1$, the internal operator N_1 is indecomposable, and $n = 4$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(13), (14)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad (13)$$

$$H = D_4. \quad (14)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 1$, N_1 is indecomposable, and $n = 5$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(15), (17)\}$, $\{(16), (17)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (15)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & -r_1 & 0 & r_2 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & r_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & -1 & -r_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (16)$$

$$H = D_5. \quad (17)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 1$, N_1 is decomposable, and $n = 4$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(18), (20)\}$, $\{(19), (20)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad (18)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & z & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & z/r \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad |r| > 1, \quad (19)$$

$$H = D_4. \quad (20)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 1$, N_1 is decomposable, and $n = 5$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(21), (22)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad r > 0, \quad (21)$$

$$H = D_5. \quad (22)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 1$, N_1 is decomposable, and $n = 6$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(23), (25)\}$, $\{(24), (25)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 & -r^2/2 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & r \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad r > 0, \quad (23)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & -2r_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & r_1 & 0 & -2r_1^2 + r_2^2/2 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & r_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad r_2 > 0, \quad (24)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & D_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (25)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 2$, and $n = 4$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(26), (30)\}$, $\{(27), (30)\}$, $\{(28), (30)\}$, $\{(29), (30)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ 0 & \lambda & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad (26)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \lambda & r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad |r| > 1, \quad (27)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & \frac{1}{2}z & z \\ 0 & \lambda & -z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad (28)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (29)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (30)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 2$, and $n = 5$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(31), (33)\}$, $\{(32), (33)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad (31)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & r & z \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad r > 0, \quad (32)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_1 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (33)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 2$, and $n = 6$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(34), (36)\}$, $\{(35), (36)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad r > 0, \quad (34)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad (35)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_2 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (36)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 2$, and $n = 7$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(37), (38)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \cos \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \cos \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \sin \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha, \beta < \pi, \quad (37)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_3 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (38)$$

If N has one real eigenvalue λ , $\dim S_0 = 2$, and $n = 8$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(39), (41)\}$, $\{(40), (41)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cos \alpha \sin \beta & \sin \alpha \sin \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta & \cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (39)$$

$$0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad 0 < \beta < \pi/2,$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cos \alpha \sin \beta & \sin \alpha \sin \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & 0 & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta & \cos \alpha \sin \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 & \cos \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (40)$$

$$0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < \beta < \pi/2,$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_4 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (41)$$

If N has 2 distinct real eigenvalues λ_1, λ_2 , then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(42), (43)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ for } r \neq 0 \quad \lambda_1 < \lambda_2, \quad (42)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (43)$$

If N has 3 eigenvalues: $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \beta > 0$), then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(44), (45)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (44)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (45)$$

If N has 4 eigenvalues: $\alpha_1 \pm i\beta_1, \alpha_2 \pm i\beta_2$, ($\alpha_1, \beta_1, \alpha_2, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < \beta_1 \leq \beta_2, \alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ if $\beta_1 = \beta_2$), then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(46), (47)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta_1 & \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_2 & z\beta_2 \\ 0 & 0 & -z\beta_2 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1, \quad (46)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (47)$$

If N has 2 eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \beta > 0$), and $n = 4$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(48), (50)\}, \{(49), (50)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma \\ -\beta & \alpha & -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi, \quad (48)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 1 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & -\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad (49)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (50)$$

If N has 2 eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \beta > 0$), and $n = 6$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(51), (53)\}, \{(52), (53)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & r \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - r & \sin \gamma/4\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & \frac{1}{2}(\cos \gamma + 1) & \frac{1}{2}\sin \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & -\frac{1}{2}\sin \gamma & \frac{1}{2}(\cos \gamma - 1) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

$$0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi, \gamma \neq \pi, \quad (51)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & r & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad (52)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_2 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (53)$$

If N has 2 eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta > 0$), and $n = 8$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(54), (55)\}$:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \sin^2 \gamma / 2\beta & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta / 2\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & \sin^2 \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 0 & -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta & -\cos^2 \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 < \gamma < \pi/2, 0 < \delta < \pi, \quad (54)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_4 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (55)$$

Here all parameters are H -unitary invariants, i.e., the same canonical forms are H -unitarily similar to each other iff the values of all parameters are equal.

The proof of the theorem is presented in what follows.

4.1 One Real Eigenvalue of N

The case when N has only one real eigenvalue λ can be considered as in [2]. Namely, if $\dim S_0 = 1$, then there exists two alternatives: N_1 is indecomposable or decomposable, this property being independent of the choice of the decomposition $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$ because the indecomposability or decomposability of N_1 does not change under unitary similarity of the pair $\{N_1, H_1\}$. In the former case one can show that $n \leq 5$ and obtain the canonical forms $\{(13), (14)\}$ - $\{(16), (17)\}$, in the latter one can show that $n \leq 6$ and obtain the canonical forms $\{(18), (20)\}$ - $\{(24), (25)\}$ in just the same way as it was done in [2]. If the subspace S_0 is two-dimensional, the operator N can also be considered as in [2] except for the case $n = 4$ because one of the corresponding canonical forms in [2] is essentially complex. Thus, for the case when N has one real eigenvalue λ we will consider only the alternative $\dim S_0 = 2$, $n = 4$ and omit the rest.

4.1.1 $\dim S_0 = 2$, $n = 4$

In this case $R^4 = S_0 \dot{+} S_1$. Therefore,

$$N - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & N_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a & b \\ 0 & 0 & c & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and the submatrix N_2 is not restricted by the condition of the H -normality of N .

(a) $\det N_2 \neq 0$. Suppose an H -unitary transformation

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_3 & T_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

reduces $N - \lambda I$ to the form $\tilde{N} - \lambda I$:

$$N - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & N_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{N} - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \widetilde{N_2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then conditions (56) - (58) below are necessarily satisfied:

$$N_2 T_3 = 0, \quad (56)$$

$$N_2 T_4 = T_1 \widetilde{N_2}, \quad (57)$$

$$0 = T_3 \widetilde{N_2}. \quad (58)$$

Since N_2 is nondegenerate, (56) is satisfied only if $T_3 = 0$. The operator T is H -unitary iff

$$T_1 T_4^* = I, \quad (59)$$

$$T_1 T_2^* + T_2 T_1^* = 0. \quad (60)$$

It follows from system (59) - (60) that without loss of generality we can consider only quasidiagonal transformations $T = T_1 \oplus T_1^{*-1}$ because T_2 does not appear in equations (56) - (58).

Thus, the only condition

$$N_2 = T_1 \widetilde{N_2} T_1^* \quad (61)$$

should be satisfied, i.e., it is necessary to find out what form a nondegenerate 2×2 -matrix N_2 can be reduced to under congruence.

Consider the matrix $N'_2 = N_2 N_2^{*-1}$. Its spectral characteristics are invariant because $N'_2 = T_1 \widetilde{N_2}' T_1^{-1}$. Since $\det N'_2 = 1$, N'_2 has either two complex conjugate eigenvalues $\cos \alpha \pm i \sin \alpha$ or two real eigenvalues r , $1/r$ ($r \neq 0$). In the former case N'_2 can be reduced to the form

$$N'_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi, \quad (62)$$

in the latter to the Jordan normal form.

If N'_2 has form (62), then

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} t \sin \alpha / (1 - \cos \alpha) & t \\ -t & t \sin \alpha / (1 - \cos \alpha) \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \neq 0.$$

As $\det N_2 = 2t^2 / (1 - \cos \alpha) > 0$, one can take $T_1 = \sqrt{\det N_2} I$ and obtain

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \pm \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} & \pm \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ \mp \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} & \pm \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi.$$

Since the transformation $T_1 = D_2$ replaces $\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$ by $-\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$, we can write

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \pi \quad (63)$$

(note that two last formulas for N_2 are not equivalent because (63) includes the extra value $\alpha = \pi/2$ corresponding to the case $N'_2 = -I$).

Now we must prove the invariance of the parameter α . To this end suppose that a nondegenerate matrix T_1 satisfies (61), where N_2 has form (63) and

$$\widetilde{N}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \tilde{\alpha} & \sin \tilde{\alpha} \\ -\sin \tilde{\alpha} & \cos \tilde{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \tilde{\alpha} < \pi.$$

As $N_2 + N_2^* = T_1(\widetilde{N}_2 + \widetilde{N}_2^*)T_1^*$ and $N_2 - N_2^* = T_1(\widetilde{N}_2 - \widetilde{N}_2^*)T_1^*$, we have

$$4 \cos^2 \alpha = \det(N_2 + N_2^*) = (\det T_1)^2 \det(\widetilde{N}_2 + \widetilde{N}_2^*) = (\det T_1)^2 4 \cos^2 \tilde{\alpha}$$

and

$$4 \sin^2 \alpha = \det(N_2 - N_2^*) = (\det T_1)^2 \det(\widetilde{N}_2 - \widetilde{N}_2^*) = (\det T_1)^2 4 \sin^2 \tilde{\alpha}.$$

Therefore, $|\det T_1| = 1$, $\cos \alpha = \pm \cos \tilde{\alpha}$, $\sin \alpha = \sin \tilde{\alpha}$. Now we write the condition $N_2 + N_2^* = T_1(\widetilde{N}_2 + \widetilde{N}_2^*)T_1^*$ in detail:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (t_{11}^2 + t_{12}^2) \cos \tilde{\alpha} & (t_{11}t_{21} + t_{12}t_{22}) \cos \tilde{\alpha} \\ (t_{11}t_{21} + t_{12}t_{22}) \cos \tilde{\alpha} & (t_{21}^2 + t_{22}^2) \cos \tilde{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $|\cos \alpha| = |\cos \tilde{\alpha}|$, we have $t_{11}^2 + t_{12}^2 = 1$, hence $\cos \alpha = \cos \tilde{\alpha}$. Thus, $\alpha = \tilde{\alpha}$, Q.E.D.

If N_2' has distinct real eigenvalues r and $1/r$, i.e., $r \neq \pm 1$, then it can be reduced to the diagonal form $N_2' = 1/r \oplus r$, $|r| > 1$. Consequently,

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ rt & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \neq 0.$$

Taking $T_1 = 1 \oplus t$, we reduce N_2 to the form

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ r & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |r| > 1. \quad (64)$$

It is clear that r is an invariant.

Finally, we consider the case when N_2' has the eigenvalues ± 1 . If $N_2' = I$, the matrix N_2 is selfadjoint, hence, it can be reduced to the diagonal form. Therefore, the nondegenerate subspace $V = \text{span}\{v_1, v_3\}$ is invariant both for N and for $N^{[*]}$, i.e., the operator N is decomposable. It can easily be checked that N_2' is not equivalent to the form

$$N_2' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

because then N_2 turns out to be degenerate, which is impossible. If $N_2' = -I$, N_2 can be reduced to the above-mentioned form

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The last case to be considered is the case when the Jordan normal form of N_2' is

$$N_2' = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}t & t \\ -t & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \neq 0.$$

Taking $T_1 = \sqrt{|t|}I$, we achieve

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}z & z \\ -z & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1. \quad (65)$$

Here z is an invariant. Indeed, suppose that some matrix T_1 satisfies condition (61), where

$$\widetilde{N}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\tilde{z} & \tilde{z} \\ -\tilde{z} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{z} = \pm 1.$$

Then $\frac{1}{2}z = \frac{1}{2}t_{11}^2\tilde{z}$, hence $z = \tilde{z}$.

As a result, we have obtained three forms (63), (64), (65). Now it is necessary to find out whether the operator N is indecomposable in the three cases. The indecomposability of N means that $(aN_2 + bN_2^*)x = 0$ only if $(x, N_2x) = 0$ ($a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$). If $N'_2 = N_2N_2^{*-1}$ has no real eigenvalues, the equation $(aN_2 + bN_2^*)x = 0$ has no solutions, i.e., N is indecomposable if N_2 has form (63) with $\alpha \neq \pi/2$. If an eigenvalue λ of N'_2 is not equal to 1, then $(x, N_2x) = 0$ because $(x, N_2x) = (x, \lambda N_2^*x) = \lambda(x, N_2^*x) = \lambda(x, N_2x)$. Thus, if N_2 has form (64), (65), or (63) with $\alpha = \pi/2$, then N is also indecomposable.

(b) $\det N_2 = 0$. Since N with $N_2 = 0$ is decomposable, it suffices to consider the remaining case $\operatorname{rg} N_2 = 1$:

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} ka & kb \\ la & lb \end{pmatrix}, \quad a^2 + b^2 \neq 0, \quad k^2 + l^2 \neq 0.$$

It is readily seen that $S_0 \cap S_1 \neq \{0\}$ if $la = kb$, therefore, we can assume that this condition is not satisfied. Taking $T = T_1 \oplus T_1^{*-1}$, where

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a & k \\ b & l \end{pmatrix},$$

we obtain one more canonical form:

$$N - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(it can easily be checked that this form is indecomposable).

As a result, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator N ($N : C^4 \rightarrow C^4$) has the only eigenvalue $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, and $\dim S_0 = 2$, then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(26), (30)\}$, $\{(27), (30)\}$, $\{(28), (30)\}$, $\{(29), (30)\}$.

4.2 Two Real Distinct Eigenvalues of N

Since the canonical pair $\{(42), (43)\}$ is obtained in the same way as in [2], we will not repeat the proof of the following fact:

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^n of rank 2 and has 2 distinct real eigenvalues: λ_1 and λ_2 , then $n = 4$ and the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(42), (43)\}$.

4.3 Three Eigenvalues of N : One Real and Two Complex Conjugate

Suppose an indecomposable H -normal operator N has a real eigenvalue λ and two complex eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\beta > 0$). According to Lemma 2.1, we have $R^n = \mathcal{Q}_1 \dot{+} \mathcal{Q}_2$, $\dim \mathcal{Q}_1 = \dim \mathcal{Q}_2 = m$, $[\mathcal{Q}_1, \mathcal{Q}_1] = 0$, $[\mathcal{Q}_2, \mathcal{Q}_2] = 0$, $N\mathcal{Q}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{Q}_1$, $N\mathcal{Q}_2 \subseteq \mathcal{Q}_2$, $N_1 = N|_{\mathcal{Q}_1}$ has two eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$, $N_2 = N|_{\mathcal{Q}_2}$ one eigenvalue λ . Since $\min\{v_-, v_+\} = 2$, $n = v_- + v_+ \geq 4$. On the other hand, the subspaces \mathcal{Q}_1 and \mathcal{Q}_2 are neutral so that $n = 2m \leq 4$. Thus, $n = 4$. As H is nondegenerate, for any basis in \mathcal{Q}_1 there exists a basis in \mathcal{Q}_2 such that

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Take a basis in \mathcal{Q}_1 such that

$$N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}. \tag{66}$$

Then with respect to the decomposition $R^n = \mathcal{Q}_1 \dot{+} \mathcal{Q}_2$ we have

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & 0 \\ 0 & N_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (67)$$

The condition of the H -normality of N is

$$N_1 N_2^* = N_2^* N_1. \quad (68)$$

The only matrix commuting with (66) and having one eigenvalue λ is λI . Thus,

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

It can easily be checked that N is indecomposable. Indeed, suppose a subspace V is invariant for N and $N^{[*]}$. Since $\min\{\dim V, \dim V^{[\perp]}\} \leq 2$, we can assume that $\dim V \leq 2$. If V were of dimension 1, then there would exist a vector $v \in V$ such that $Nv = \lambda v$, $N^{[*]}v = \lambda v$. But all eigenvectors of N corresponding to the eigenvalue λ are not eigenvectors of $N^{[*]}$. Thus, $\dim V \neq 1$. Suppose $\dim V = 2$. Then $N|_V$ has either the only eigenvalue λ or two eigenvalues $\alpha \pm i\beta$. In the former case $V = \mathcal{Q}_2$, in the latter $V = \mathcal{Q}_1$. In the both cases V is degenerate, therefore, N is indecomposable.

Thus, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^n of rank 2 and has 3 eigenvalues: $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta > 0$), then $n = 4$ and the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(44), (45)\}$.

4.4 Two Distinct Pairs of Complex Conjugate Eigenvalues of N

Suppose N has four eigenvalues $\alpha_1 \pm i\beta_1$, $\alpha_2 \pm i\beta_2$ ($\beta_1, \beta_2 > 0$, $(\alpha_1, \beta_1) \neq (\alpha_2, \beta_2)$). Let us fix the order of these pairs: $\beta_1 \leq \beta_2$, $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ if $\beta_1 = \beta_2$. As in the previous section, one can show that N and H can be reduced to form (67) with

$$N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 \\ -\beta_1 & \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows from condition (68) of the H -normality of N that

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 & z\beta_2 \\ -z\beta_2 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \pm 1.$$

Now we prove that the number z is an H -unitary invariant. To this end suppose that a matrix T satisfies condition (9) $NT = T\tilde{N}$ and condition (10) $TT^{[*]} = I$, where

$$N = N_1 \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 & z\beta_2 \\ -z\beta_2 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{N} = N_1 \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 & \tilde{z}\beta_2 \\ -\tilde{z}\beta_2 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |z| = |\tilde{z}| = 1.$$

It follows from (9) that $T = T_1 \oplus T_2$, where

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} \\ -t_{12} & t_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows from (10) that $T_2 = T_1^{*-1}$, therefore,

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{33} & t_{34} \\ -t_{34} & t_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is seen that under these conditions $\tilde{z} = z$. The indecomposability of the form obtained can be checked as before.

Thus, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^n of rank 2 and has 4 eigenvalues: $\alpha_1 \pm i\beta_1$, $\alpha_2 \pm i\beta_2$, ($\alpha_1, \beta_1, \alpha_2, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 < \beta_1 \leq \beta_2$, $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ if $\beta_1 = \beta_2$), then $n = 4$ and the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(46), (47)\}$.

4.5 Two Complex Conjugate Eigenvalues of N

The two following propositions hold for any space with indefinite scalar product. They are in a sense analogous to Propositions 1, 2 from [2].

Proposition 2 *Let an indecomposable H -normal operator N acting in R^n ($n > 2$) have two distinct eigenvalues $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$, $\bar{\lambda} = \alpha - i\beta$. Let*

$$S'_0 = \{z = x + iy \ (x, y \in R^n) : Nz = \lambda z, N^{[*]}z = \bar{\lambda}z\},$$

$$S''_0 = \{z = x + iy \ (x, y \in R^n) : Nz = \lambda z, N^{[*]}z = \lambda z\},$$

$\{z_j\}_1^p$ ($\{z_j\}_{p+1}^{p+q}$) be a basis of S'_0 (S''_0), and

$$S_0 = \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} \text{span}\{x_j, y_j\}.$$

Then there exists a decomposition of R^n into a direct sum of subspaces S_0, S, S_1 such that

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N' & * & * \\ 0 & N_1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & N'' \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I \\ 0 & H_1 & 0 \\ I & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (69)$$

where

$$N' : S_0 \rightarrow S_0, \quad N' = N'_1 \oplus \dots \oplus N'_{p+q},$$

$$N'_j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p+q, \quad (70)$$

$$N'' : S_1 \rightarrow S_1, \quad N'' = N''_1 \oplus \dots \oplus N''_{p+q},$$

$$N''_j = N'_j \text{ if } 1 \leq j \leq p, \quad N''_j = N_j'^* \text{ if } p < j \leq p+q, \quad (71)$$

the internal operator N_1 is H_1 -normal and the pair $\{N_1, H_1\}$ is determined up to unitarily similarity. To go over from one decomposition $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$ to another by means of a transformation T it is necessary that the matrix T be block triangular with respect to both decompositions.

Proof: It is clear that the subspace S_0 is well defined, i.e., that its definition does not depend on the choice of bases in S'_0 and S''_0 . Since N and $N^{[*]}$ commute and have two eigenvalues, at least one of the subspaces S'_0, S''_0 is nontrivial so that $p+q > 0$. Show that the system $\{x_j\}_1^{p+q} \cup \{y_j\}_1^{p+q}$ is a basis in S_0 . In fact, the assumption $\sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j x_j + b_j y_j) = 0$ ($a_j, b_j \in \mathbb{R}, j = 1, \dots, p+q$) means that $\text{Re} \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j = 0$, therefore, $\text{Re}\{N \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j\} = 0$. But $\text{Re}\{N \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j\} = \alpha \text{Re} \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j - \beta \text{Im} \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j$ so that $\text{Im} \sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j = 0$. Thus, $\sum_{j=1}^{p+q} (a_j - ib_j) z_j = 0$. Since the vectors z_j are linearly independent in C^n , $a_j = b_j = 0$ ($j = 1, \dots, p+q$), i.e., the vectors $\{x_j\}_1^{p+q} \cup \{y_j\}_1^{p+q}$ are linearly independent in R^n . Thus, the dimension of S_0 is equal to $2(p+q)$.

Now let us prove that for N to be indecomposable it is necessary that S_0 be neutral. Indeed, we already know that if $z = x + iy$ ($x, y \in R^n$) is an eigenvector of $N^{[*]}$ such that $Nz = \lambda z$, then the subspace $\text{span}\{x, y\}$, which is invariant for N and $N^{[*]}$, is either nondegenerate or neutral (see Section 2.3). Since $n > 2$ and N is indecomposable, it is necessarily neutral. Further, if $Nz_1 = \lambda z_1$, $N^{[*]}z_1 = \bar{\lambda}z_1$, $Nz_2 = \lambda z_2$, $N^{[*]}z_2 = \lambda z_2$, then it can be shown (as in Section 2.3) that $[z_1, z_2] = [z_1, \bar{z}_2] = 0$, hence $[x_1, x_2] = [x_1, y_2] = [y_1, x_2] = [y_1, y_2] = 0$. If $Nz_1 = \lambda z_1$, $N^{[*]}z_1 = \bar{\lambda}z_1$, $Nz_2 = \lambda z_2$, $N^{[*]}z_2 = \bar{\lambda}z_2$, then $[z_1, \bar{z}_2] = 0$, i.e., $[x_1, x_2] = [y_1, y_2]$ and $[x_1, y_2] = -[y_1, x_2]$. If $a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$ ($a = [x_1, x_2]$, $b = [x_1, y_2]$), the two-dimensional subspace $\text{span}\{ax_1 - by_1 + x_2, bx_1 + ay_1 + y_2\}$, which is invariant for N and $N^{[*]}$, will be nondegenerate, therefore, N will be decomposable. Thus, for N to be indecomposable it is necessary to have $a = b = 0$. It can be checked in the similar way that the conditions $[x_1, x_2] = [y_1, y_2] = [x_1, y_2] = [y_1, x_2] = 0$

are satisfied if $Nz_1 = \lambda z_1$, $N^{[*]}z_1 = \lambda z_1$, $Nz_2 = \lambda z_2$, $N^{[*]}z_2 = \lambda z_2$. Thus, if N is indecomposable, S_0 is neutral.

For any neutral subspace S_0 of a space with indefinite scalar product there exists a subspace S_1 such that

$$H|_{(S_0 \dot{+} S_1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $(S_0 \dot{+} S_1)$ is nondegenerate, the subspace $S = (S_0 \dot{+} S_1)^{[\perp]}$ is nondegenerate too and $R^n = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$. It is clear that with respect to this decomposition the matrices N and H have form (69), the submatrix N' has form (70) and N'' has form (71). The last two statements of the proposition can be proved as in Proposition 1 from [2]. The proof is completed.

Proposition 3 *An H -normal operator such that $\dim S_0 = 2$ is indecomposable.*

Proof: Assume the converse. Suppose some nondegenerate subspace V is invariant both for N and for $N^{[*]}$. Let us denote $V_1 = V$, $V_2 = V^{[\perp]}$, $N_1 = N|_{V_1}$, $N_2 = N|_{V_2}$, $H_1 = H|_{V_1}$, $H_2 = H|_{V_2}$. Since the operators N_i ($i = 1, 2$) are H_i -normal, both subspaces $S_0^{(i)} \subset V_i$ (defined as S_0) are nontrivial, i.e., $\dim S_0^{(i)} \geq 2$. Since $S_0 = S_0^{(1)} \dot{+} S_0^{(2)}$, $\dim S_0 = \dim S_0^{(1)} + \dim S_0^{(2)} \geq 4$. This contradicts the condition $\dim S_0 = 2$. Thus, N is indecomposable.

Now let us show that if $\min\{v_-, v_+\} = 2$, then N is indecomposable only if $n \leq 8$. According to Proposition 2, which is applicable (recall that $n = v_- + v_+ \geq 4$), if N is indecomposable, then S_0 is neutral so that $\dim S_0 = 2$. Therefore, if we show that for $n > 8$ we have $\dim S_0 > 2$, this will mean that N is decomposable.

Let us complexify the source space R^n and apply the results from [1] and [2] concerning the decomposition of an H -normal operator in a complex space. Lemma 1 from [1] states that for an H -normal operator having two distinct eigenvalues λ and $\bar{\lambda}$ there exists a decomposition of C^n into a sum $C^n = V_1 \dot{+} V_2 \dot{+} V_3 \dot{+} V_4$ such that

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & N_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & N_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & N_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I & 0 & 0 \\ I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & H_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & H_4 \end{pmatrix},$$

where N_1, N_3 have the only eigenvalue λ , N_2, N_4 the only eigenvalue $\bar{\lambda}$, $\dim V_1 = \dim V_2$. It is seen that if the space C^n is R^n complexified, then $\dim V_3 = \dim V_4$.

Since ranks of the subspaces $V_1 \dot{+} V_2$, V_3 , V_4 are less than or equal to 2, Theorem 1 from [1] and Theorem 1 from [2] are applicable. It follows from these theorems that if $\dim V_1, \dim V_3 > 0$, then there exist at least two linearly independent vectors z_1, z_2 such that $Nz_1 = \lambda z_1$, $N^{[*]}z_1 = \lambda z_1$, $Nz_2 = \lambda z_2$, $N^{[*]}z_2 = \bar{\lambda} z_2$, i.e., $\dim S_0 \geq 4$. If $\dim V_3 = 0$, n is equal to 4 because the subspaces V_1 and V_2 are neutral (hence $n = (2 \dim V_1) \leq 4 \Rightarrow n = 4$). If $\dim V_1 = 0$, there appear two alternatives: V_3 and V_4 each have rank 1 or one of these subspaces has rank 0. In the latter case either N_3 or N_4 is decomposable for any n . In the former case, according to Theorem 1 [1], N_3 (N_4) is always decomposable if $\dim V_3 > 4$ ($\dim V_4 > 4$). In either case for $n > 8$ there exist two linearly independent vectors z_1, z_2 such that $Nz_1 = \lambda z_1$, $N^{[*]}z_1 = \bar{\lambda} z_1$, $Nz_2 = \lambda z_2$, $N^{[*]}z_2 = \bar{\lambda} z_2$. As above, we have $\dim S_0 \geq 4$. Thus, if $n > 8$, N is decomposable, Q.E.D.

Thus, according to Proposition 2, the matrices N and H can be reduced to the form

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_4 & N_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & I \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ I & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (72)$$

where

$$N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

N_6 is equal either to N_1 or to N_1^* . The condition of the H -normality of N is equivalent to the system

$$N_1 N_6^* = N_6^* N_1, \quad (73)$$

$$N_1 N_5^* + N_2 N_4^* = N_6^* N_2 + N_5^* N_4, \quad (74)$$

$$N_1 N_3^* + N_2 N_2^* + N_3 N_1^* = N_6^* N_3 + N_5^* N_5 + N_3^* N_6, \quad (75)$$

$$N_4 N_4^* = N_4^* N_4. \quad (76)$$

Note that if $N_6 = N_1^*$, then $\dim S_0'' > 0$ so that it is the case $\dim V_1 > 0$. It was stated before that if $\dim V_1 > 0$, then for indecomposable operators $n = 4$. Therefore, for $n = 4$ the submatrix N_6 can be equal to either N_1 or N_1^* but for $n = 6, 8$ we have $N_6 = N_1$. Now let us consider the cases $n = 4, 6, 8$ successively.

4.5.1 $n = 4$

By the above,

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & a & b \\ -\beta & \alpha & c & d \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \pm\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \mp\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

$N_6 = N_1$ Then from (75) it follows that $c = -b$, $d = a$. If $a^2 + b^2 = 0$, i.e., $N_3 = 0$, then $S_0 \cap S_1 \neq 0$, which contradicts the indecomposability of N . Therefore, $a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$. Taking the block diagonal transformation $T = \sqrt[4]{a^2 + b^2} I_2 \oplus 1/\sqrt[4]{a^2 + b^2} I_2$, we can reduce N to the form

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma \\ -\beta & \alpha & -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi. \quad (77)$$

According to Proposition 3, matrix (77) is indecomposable. Let us prove the H -unitary invariance of the parameter γ . To this end suppose that a matrix T satisfies conditions

$$NT = T\tilde{N}, \quad (78)$$

$$TT^{[*]} = I \quad (79)$$

for the matrix N of form (77) and the matrix

$$\tilde{N} = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & \tilde{N}_3 \\ 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \cos \tilde{\gamma} & \sin \tilde{\gamma} \\ -\beta & \alpha & -\sin \tilde{\gamma} & \cos \tilde{\gamma} \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \tilde{\gamma} < 2\pi.$$

According to Proposition 2, the matrix T has the block triangular form

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

with respect to the decomposition $R^4 = S_0 \dot{+} S_1$. The transformation T is H -unitary iff

$$T_1 T_3^* = I, \quad (80)$$

$$T_1 T_2^* + T_2 T_1^* = 0. \quad (81)$$

It follows from condition (78) that N_1 and T_1 commute, therefore,

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} \\ -t_{12} & t_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

so that from (81) we get

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{13} & t_{14} \\ -t_{14} & t_{13} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, combining (80) and (78), we have $N_1 T_2 + N_3 T_1^{*-1} = T_1 \widetilde{N}_3 + T_2 N_1$. But T_2 and N_1 commute (as well as T_1 and \widetilde{N}_3) so that $N_3 = T_1 \widetilde{N}_3 T_1^* = \widetilde{N}_3 T_1 T_1^* = (\det T_1)^2 \widetilde{N}_3$. Since $\det N_3 = \det \widetilde{N}_3 = 1$, we have $(\det T_1)^2 = 1$ and $N_3 = \widetilde{N}_3$, i.e., $\gamma = \tilde{\gamma}$, Q.E.D.

$N_6 = N_1^*$ Then, according to (75), $c = b$. The transformation

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a/2\beta \\ 0 & 1 & -a/2\beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

reduces N_3 to the form

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b' \\ b' & d' \end{pmatrix}$$

without changing the submatrices N_1 and N_6 . If both b' and d' are equal to zero, the condition $S_0 \cap S_1 = \{0\}$ fails. Therefore, $4b'^2 + d'^2 \neq 0$ and we can take the transformation

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & -r \sin \phi & r \cos \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & -r \cos \phi & -r \sin \phi \\ 0 & 0 & \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ 0 & 0 & -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\cos 2\phi = 2b'/\sqrt{d'^2 + 4b'^2}$, $\sin 2\phi = -d'/\sqrt{d'^2 + 4b'^2}$, $r = d'/(4\beta)$. It does not change N_1 and N_6 but reduces N_3 to the form

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b'' \\ b'' & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad b'' = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4b'^2 + d'^2} > 0.$$

If we now take $\tilde{v}_1 = \sqrt{b''}v_1$, $\tilde{v}_2 = \sqrt{b''}v_2$, $\tilde{v}_3 = v_3/\sqrt{b''}$, $\tilde{v}_4 = v_4/\sqrt{b''}$, then N_3 will be equal to D_2 . Thus, we have obtained the final form for the matrix N :

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 1 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & -\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}. \quad (82)$$

According to Proposition 3, matrix (82) is indecomposable. Forms (77) and (82) are not H -unitarily similar because for matrix (82) the subspace S_0'' defined in Proposition 2 is nontrivial in contrast to that for (77). Thus, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^4 of rank 2 and has 2 eigenvalues: $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta > 0$), then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(48), (50)\}$, $\{(49), (50)\}$.

4.5.2 $n = 6$

The matrices N and H have form (72) with $N_6 = N_1$. Since the submatrix N_4 is an ordinary normal matrix (condition (76)), one can assume that $N_4 = N_1$. Thus,

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_1 & N_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

First reduce the submatrix

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

to the form

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (83)$$

without changing the submatrices $N_1 = N_4 = N_6$. To this end take

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} I & T_2 & -\frac{1}{2}T_2T_2^* \\ 0 & I & -T_2^* \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{pmatrix}, \quad (84)$$

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} b/\beta & -a/\beta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix}.$$

If both c' and d' are equal to zero, i.e., $N_2 = 0$, then from condition of the H -normality (75) it follows that $N_5 = 0$, which contradicts the condition $S_0 \cap S = \{0\}$. Therefore, $c'^2 + d'^2 \neq 0$ and we can subject the matrix N obtained to the transformation $T = I_2 \oplus T_1 \oplus I_2$, where

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} d'/\sqrt{c'^2 + d'^2} & c'/\sqrt{c'^2 + d'^2} \\ -c'/\sqrt{c'^2 + d'^2} & d'/\sqrt{c'^2 + d'^2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d'' \end{pmatrix}, \quad d'' = \sqrt{c'^2 + d'^2} > 0.$$

Taking $\tilde{v}_1 = d''v_1$, $\tilde{v}_2 = d''v_2$, $\tilde{v}_3 = v_3$, $\tilde{v}_4 = v_4$, $\tilde{v}_5 = v_5/d''$, $\tilde{v}_6 = v_6/d''$, we obtain desired form (83) for the submatrix N_2 .

Now let us apply conditions (74) and (75). We get

$$N_5 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma + 1 & \sin \gamma \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma - 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi,$$

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - q & \sin \gamma/4\beta + p \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally, take transformation (84) with

$$T_2 = 2p/(\cos \gamma + 1) I_2 \quad \text{if } \gamma \neq \pi,$$

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -q \\ q & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{if } \gamma = \pi.$$

Then

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q' \\ (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - q' & \sin \gamma/4\beta \end{pmatrix} \quad (\gamma \neq \pi),$$

$$N_3 = p' I_2 \quad (\gamma = \pi).$$

As a result, we have obtained two forms:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & r \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - r & \sin \gamma/4\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & \frac{1}{2}(\cos \gamma + 1) & \frac{1}{2}\sin \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & -\frac{1}{2}\sin \gamma & \frac{1}{2}(\cos \gamma - 1) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

$$0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi, \gamma \neq \pi, \quad (85)$$

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & r & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}. \quad (86)$$

According to Proposition 3, matrices (85) and (86) are indecomposable. Let us show that they are not H -unitarily similar and that the numbers r and γ are H -unitary invariants. To this end suppose that some H -unitary matrix T reduces the matrix N to the form \tilde{N} :

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_1 & N_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{N} = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & \widetilde{N}_3 \\ 0 & N_1 & \widetilde{N}_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ N_5 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma + 1 & \sin \gamma \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma - 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi, \\ \widetilde{N}_5 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \tilde{\gamma} + 1 & \sin \tilde{\gamma} \\ -\sin \tilde{\gamma} & \cos \tilde{\gamma} - 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq \tilde{\gamma} < 2\pi. \end{aligned}$$

Then, according to Proposition 2, T has the block triangular form

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 & T_3 \\ 0 & T_4 & T_5 \\ 0 & 0 & T_6 \end{pmatrix}$$

with respect to the decomposition $R^6 = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$. It follows from condition (78) $NT = T\tilde{N}$ that

$$T_1 = T_4 = T_6 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{13} & t_{14} \\ -t_{14} & t_{13} + \frac{\sin \phi}{\beta} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Condition (79) $TT^{[*]} = I$ implies $T_1 T_5^* + T_2 T_4^* = 0$, hence

$$T_5 = -T_1 T_2^* T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{35} & t_{36} \\ -t_{36} & t_{35} - \frac{\sin \phi}{\beta} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} t_{35} &= -t_{13} \cos 2\phi - t_{14} \sin 2\phi + \frac{\sin^3 \phi}{\beta}, \\ t_{36} &= -t_{13} \sin 2\phi + t_{14} \cos 2\phi - \frac{\cos \phi \sin^2 \phi}{\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the expressions for T_4, T_5, T_6 in the formula $N_1 T_5 + N_5 T_6 = T_4 \widetilde{N}_5 + T_5 N_1$, which follows from (78), we obtain: $N_5 = \widetilde{N}_5$. Therefore, forms (85) and (86) are not H -unitarily similar and the parameter γ is an H -unitary invariant.

Now let us check the H -unitary invariance of r for matrix (85). To this end suppose that

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & r \\ (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - r & \sin \gamma/4\beta \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\widetilde{N}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tilde{r} \\ (\cos \gamma + 1)/4\beta - \tilde{r} & \sin \gamma/4\beta \end{pmatrix},$$

$0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi$, $\gamma \neq \pi$. It follows from (79) that $T_1 T_3^* = -\frac{1}{2} T_2 T_2^* + X$, where X is an antisymmetric matrix, therefore,

$$T_3 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{15} & t_{16} \\ t_{25} & t_{26} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} x \sin \phi & -x \cos \phi \\ x \cos \phi & x \sin \phi \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} 2t_{15} &= -(t_{13}^2 + t_{14}^2) \cos \phi + t_{14} \sin^2 \phi / \beta, \\ 2t_{16} &= -(t_{13}^2 + t_{14}^2) \sin \phi - t_{14} \sin \phi \cos \phi / \beta, \\ 2t_{25} &= -t_{14} \sin \phi \cos \phi / \beta + ((t_{13} + \sin \phi / \beta)^2 + t_{14}^2) \sin \phi, \\ 2t_{26} &= -t_{14} \sin^2 \phi / \beta - ((t_{13} + \sin \phi / \beta)^2 + t_{14}^2) \cos \phi. \end{aligned}$$

Since $N_1 T_3 + N_2 T_5 + N_3 T_6 = T_1 \widetilde{N}_3 + T_2 N_5 + T_3 N_1$ (condition (78)), $\widetilde{N}_3 = T_1^* (N_1 T_3 - T_3 N_1 + N_2 T_5 - T_2 N_5 + N_3 T_6)$. Substituting the expressions for T_2 , T_3 , T_5 , T_6 in this formula, we obtain:

$$a_1 t_{13} + a_2 t_{14} + a_3 = 0, \quad (87)$$

$$b_1 t_{13} + b_2 t_{14} + b_3 = \tilde{r} - r, \quad (88)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}(\cos(\phi - \gamma) + \cos \phi), \\ a_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}(\sin(\phi - \gamma) + \sin \phi), \\ a_3 &= -\frac{1}{4\beta} \sin \phi (\cos(\phi - \gamma) + \cos \phi), \\ b_1 &= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\phi - \gamma) - \sin \phi), \\ b_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}(\cos(\phi - \gamma) - \cos \phi), \\ b_3 &= \frac{1}{4\beta} \sin \phi (\sin(\phi - \gamma) - \sin \phi). \end{aligned}$$

Since the left hand sides of equations (87) - (88) are proportional and the coefficients of t_{13} and of t_{14} in (87) are not equal to zero simultaneously, condition (87) implies $\tilde{r} = r$. Therefore, r is an H -unitary invariant. The proof of the invariance of r for matrix (86) is analogous.

Thus, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^6 of rank 2 and has 2 eigenvalues: $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta > 0$), then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to one and only one of the canonical pairs $\{(51), (53)\}$, $\{(52), (53)\}$.

4.5.3 $n = 8$

The matrices N and H have form (72), N_6 being equal to N_1 :

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_4 & N_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since N_4 is an ordinary normal matrix (condition (76)), it can be assumed that $N_4 = N_1 \oplus N_1$.

Having these equalities in mind, we reduce the submatrix

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \end{pmatrix}$$

to the form

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (89)$$

without changing the submatrices N_1 , N_4 , and $N_6 = N_1$. To this end take transformation (84) with

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} b/\beta & -a/\beta & d/\beta & -c/\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ e' & f' & g' & h' \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now subject the obtained matrix N to the transformation $T = I_2 \oplus T'_1 \oplus T''_1 \oplus I_2$, where

$$\begin{aligned} T'_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} f'/\sqrt{e'^2 + f'^2} & e'/\sqrt{e'^2 + f'^2} \\ -e'/\sqrt{e'^2 + f'^2} & f'/\sqrt{e'^2 + f'^2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } e'^2 + f'^2 > 0, \\ T'_1 &= I_2 \text{ if } e' = f' = 0, \\ T''_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} h'/\sqrt{g'^2 + h'^2} & g'/\sqrt{g'^2 + h'^2} \\ -g'/\sqrt{g'^2 + h'^2} & h'/\sqrt{g'^2 + h'^2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ if } g'^2 + h'^2 > 0, \\ T''_1 &= I_2 \text{ if } g' = h' = 0. \end{aligned}$$

We get

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f'' & 0 & h'' \end{pmatrix}, \quad f'' = \sqrt{e'^2 + f'^2} \geq 0, \quad h'' = \sqrt{g'^2 + h'^2} \geq 0.$$

If $f'' + h'' = 0$, i.e., $N_2 = 0$, from condition (75) it follows that $N_5 = 0$, which is impossible because $S_0 \cap S = \{0\}$. Therefore, $f'' + h'' > 0$. Without loss of generality it can be assumed that $f'' \neq 0$ (otherwise one can take $\tilde{v}_3 = v_5$, $\tilde{v}_4 = v_6$, $\tilde{v}_5 = v_3$, $\tilde{v}_6 = v_4$). Therefore, we can assume $f'' = 1$, taking $\tilde{v}_1 = f''v_1$, $\tilde{v}_2 = f''v_2$, $\tilde{v}_7 = v_7/f''$, $\tilde{v}_8 = v_8/f''$. Keeping in mind that $f'' = 1$, take the transformation

$$T = T_1 \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{1 + h''^2}I_2 & -h''/\sqrt{1 + h''^2}I_2 \\ h''/\sqrt{1 + h''^2}I_2 & 1/\sqrt{1 + h''^2}I_2 \end{pmatrix} \oplus T_1^{*-1},$$

where $T_1 = \sqrt{1 + h''^2}I_2$. Then we obtain desired form (89) for the submatrix N_2 .

Condition (74) implies

$$N_5 = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ p & q \\ -q & p \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since the case $p = q = 0$ is impossible (the condition $S_0 \cap S = \{0\}$), we have $p^2 + q^2 > 0$. The transformation $T = I_2 \oplus I_2 \oplus T_1 \oplus I_2$, where

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} p/\sqrt{p^2 + q^2} & q/\sqrt{p^2 + q^2} \\ -q/\sqrt{p^2 + q^2} & p/\sqrt{p^2 + q^2} \end{pmatrix},$$

reduces N_5 to the form

$$N_5 = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \\ p' & 0 \\ 0 & p' \end{pmatrix}, \quad p' = \sqrt{p^2 + q^2} > 0,$$

retaining the submatrices N_1 , N_2 , N_4 , and N_6 . It follows from conditions of the H -normality (74) and (75) that

$$N_5 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta \\ -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta & -\cos^2 \gamma \\ \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \gamma < \pi/2, \quad 0 < \delta < \pi,$$

$$N_3 = \begin{pmatrix} s & t \\ \sin^2 \gamma/2\beta - t & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta/2\beta + s \end{pmatrix}.$$

At last, take transformation (84), where

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & s/(\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta) & t/(\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta) \\ 0 & 0 & -t/(\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta) & s/(\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta) \end{pmatrix},$$

and reduce N to the final form:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \sin^2 \gamma/2\beta & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta/2\beta \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & 0 & 0 & \sin^2 \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & 0 & -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta & -\cos^2 \gamma \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha & 0 & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 < \gamma < \pi/2, \quad 0 < \delta < \pi. \quad (90)$$

Due to Proposition 3 the matrix obtained is indecomposable. Let us check the H -unitary invariance of the parameters γ and δ . Suppose some H -unitary matrix T reduces the matrix N to the form \tilde{N} :

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & N_3 \\ 0 & N_4 & N_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{N} = \begin{pmatrix} N_1 & N_2 & \tilde{N}_3 \\ 0 & N_4 & \tilde{N}_5 \\ 0 & 0 & N_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad N_4 = N_1 \oplus N_1, \quad N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$N_5 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta \\ -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta & -\cos^2 \gamma \\ \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\tilde{N}_5 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \tilde{\gamma} & \sin \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\delta} \\ -\sin \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\delta} & -\cos^2 \tilde{\gamma} \\ \sin \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\gamma} \sin \tilde{\delta} & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \tilde{\gamma} \cos \tilde{\gamma} \sin \tilde{\delta} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$0 < \gamma, \tilde{\gamma} < \pi/2, \quad 0 < \delta, \tilde{\delta} < \pi.$$

Then, according to Proposition 2, T has the block triangular form

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 & T_3 \\ 0 & T_4 & T_5 \\ 0 & 0 & T_6 \end{pmatrix}$$

with respect to the decomposition $R^8 = S_0 \dot{+} S \dot{+} S_1$. Combining condition (78) $NT = T\tilde{N}$ and (79) $TT^{[*]} = I$, we get

$$T_1 = T_6 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_4 = T_1 \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \cos \psi & \sin \psi \\ -\sin \psi & \cos \psi \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{13} & t_{14} & t_{15} & t_{16} \\ -t_{14} & t_{13} + \frac{\sin \phi}{\beta} & -t_{16} & t_{15} \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_5 = \begin{pmatrix} t_{37} & t_{38} \\ -t_{38} & t_{37} - \frac{\sin \phi}{\beta} \\ t_{57} & t_{58} \\ -t_{58} & t_{57} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} t_{37} &= -t_{13} \cos 2\phi - t_{14} \sin 2\phi + \frac{\sin^3 \phi}{\beta}, \\ t_{38} &= -t_{13} \sin 2\phi + t_{14} \cos 2\phi - \frac{\cos \phi \sin^2 \phi}{\beta}, \\ t_{57} &= -t_{15} \cos(\phi + \psi) - t_{16} \sin(\phi + \psi), \\ t_{58} &= -t_{15} \sin(\phi + \psi) + t_{16} \cos(\phi + \psi). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the expressions for T_4, T_5, T_6 in the formula $N_4 T_5 + N_5 T_6 = T_4 \tilde{N}_5 + T_5 N_1$ which follows from (78), we obtain

$$\tilde{N}_5 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta \\ -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \cos \delta & -\cos^2 \gamma \\ \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \cos(\phi - \psi) & \sin \gamma \\ \cos \gamma \sin \delta \sin(\phi - \psi) & \\ -\sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \sin(\phi - \psi) & \sin \gamma \cos \gamma \sin \delta \cos(\phi - \psi) \end{pmatrix},$$

hence $\phi = \psi$, hence $\gamma = \tilde{\gamma}$, $\delta = \tilde{\delta}$.

Thus, we have proved that

If an indecomposable H -normal operator acts in a space R^8 of rank 2 and has 2 eigenvalues: $\alpha \pm i\beta$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta > 0$), then the pair $\{N, H\}$ is unitarily similar to the canonical pair $\{(54), (55)\}$.

We have considered all the possible alternatives for an indecomposable operator N and have obtained the canonical forms for each case. Thus, we have proved Theorem 2.

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